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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PIN, PFOR, XF

SUBJECT: VISIT BY PLO DELEGATION

1. FRONT PAGE NEWS STORIES THIS MORNING AND TV APPEARANCE LAST NIGHT PUBLICIZED VISIT HERE OF PLO DELEGATION. LEADER OF GROUP REPORTED BY PRESS TO BE FARUK QUADDOMI, HEAD OF PLO POLITICAL DEPARTMENT. OTHER MEMBERS LISTED AS JAMAL SOURAMI, PLO REP IN CAIRO; ABA EL-KHAIR, PLO REP IN KHARTOUM; KHEURDDIN ABDUL RAHMAN; AND NABIL AMMNE.

2. COMPARING OUR "MUG BOOK" WITH PRESS PICTURES, WE ABLE IDENTIFY FARUG AL QADDUMI OF FATAH AND YASIR ABU SAUD JAMAL SURANI OF PLO AND SUSPECT FATAH. OUR FILES LIST JAMAL AL-SURANI AS PLO REP CAIRO. PRESUME QADDUMI IS IDENTICAL WITH LEADING FATAH PERSONALITY OF THAT NAME WHO IN CHARGE OF RECRUITMENT AND ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS. WONDER WHETHER RAHMAN MIGHT
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BE FAWAZ ABDAL RAHMAN, PLO AND FATAH REP IN
SUDAN AT TIME OF KHARTOUM INCIDENT LAST YEAR.

3. ACCORDING TO PRESS, GROUP WAS RECEIVED BY
FOREIGN MINISTER MWAANGA AND HELD PRESS CONFERENCE
AT WHICH QADDUMI PROMISED AID ZAMBIA IN CASE OF NEED
AND SAID PLO READY GIVE FREEDOM FIGHTERS MILITARY
ASSISTANCE. GROUP SAID TO HAVE VISITED KHARTOUM AND
ADDIS. DEPARTED LUSAKA THIS AFTERNOON FOR DAR (EC 834).
SEEN OFF BY EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR.

4. WE SEEKING FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING ORIGIN AND
PURPOSE OF VISIT. IT LIKELY PROVE DESIRABLE DISCUSS
WITH GRZ TO ALERT IT TO FATAH ASSOCIATIONS OF DELEGATION
(EVEN THOUGH GRZ IN POSSESSION OF INFORMATION WE PROVIDED
MONTHS AGO ESTABLISHING FACT).

5. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION
REGARDING THIS GROUP DEPARTMENT, KHARTOUM AND
ADDIS ABLE PROVIDE.
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